

## The League of Women Voters of San Antonio

is a nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government. It influences public policy through education and advocacy. We...

- ◆ Conduct and moderate candidate and community forums.
- ◆ Promote civic education.
- ◆ Research issues important to the community.
- ◆ Lobby elected officials on issues of interest to their constituents.
- ◆ Publish educational materials.

Useful websites:

[www.lwvsanantonio.org](http://www.lwvsanantonio.org)  
[www.Vote411.org](http://www.Vote411.org)  
<http://elections.bexar.org/>



# Why Vote?

It's your  
**Constitutional Right**  
and your  
**Civic Responsibility**



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“Bad politicians  
are elected  
by good citizens  
who don't vote...”  
*George Jean Nathan*

To vote is the right and the responsibility that defines our citizenship and our democracy; it is the dialog we have with our government...

## It is about:

- ❖ Waging war or preserving peace
- ❖ Funding quality education
- ❖ Ensuring access to health care
- ❖ Administering fair immigration policy
- ❖ Providing national security
- ❖ Levying taxes and spending for all
- ❖ You

Be among those who

**VOTE ON ELECTION DAY**

*Let your vote be the one that makes the difference*

# Why Vote?

## ❖ It's our government...of the people, by the people, for the people.

If or when government doesn't meet the needs of its citizens, it is time to ask why not and take action.

## ❖ It's our money.

We tell our government how to use it...public services, defense, education, etc... and where to get it.

## ❖ It's our health care.

Decisions regarding access to insurance and services impact you and your children, your mother and your sister, as well as your neighbors and your friends.

## ❖ It's our jobs.

Jobs and industries in the U.S., job training, a living wage, employer provided health insurance and pensions, fair hiring practices, and workplace safety...all issues controlled or influenced by political decisions.

## ❖ It's our neighborhoods.

With safe streets and law enforcement, playgrounds and controlled traffic; it's neighborhood centers and community outreach programs. It's safe and affordable homes.

❖ **It's our parents**, or our disabled cousin, it is for all of us today, and needs to be for all of us tomorrow.

## ❖ It's our children and their education.

Our elected officials not only set policies and

standards, but also provide funds for preparation of our children for our future.

❖ **It's our transportation system**, funded, maintained, and protected by government at all levels.

## ❖ It's our environment.

Only the government can protect the air we breathe and the water we drink, limit sprawl, preserve open space for our children, and save us all from global warming.

## ❖ It's our national security and our civil liberties.

Public officials decide how to preserve both for us.

## ❖ It's our world.

Our national government will influence decisions about war and peace, human rights and human welfare, worldwide.

**Voting is Power**

*Be one of the Powerful*

**VOTE!**